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BURLINGTON CLIMATE ACTION PLAN AND COMMUNITY STANDARDS FOR PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE CITY

## CITY OF BURLINGTON

WHEREAS, climate change poses a very real threat to the lives and livelihoods of not only those of us in Burlington Vermont, but the entire world; and

WHEREAS, local Burlington-based companies and area non-profits, such as Draker

Labs, Carbon Harvest Energy, Spring Hill Solutions, the City of Burlington, Burlington's Legacy

Project, and area non-profits such as NRG Systems, Seventh Generation, Efficiency Vermont,

350.org, CVOEO, University of Vermont's Gund Institute, Intervale Center, Shelburne Farms

Sustainable Schools, AgRefresh, Avatar Energy, Burlington Walk/Bike Council, Carshare

Vermont, UVM Transportation Research Center, Vermont Energy Investment Corporation, and

many others, have for decades given Vermont and the City of Burlington a leadership position on

such issues; and

WHEREAS, the Burlington Climate Action Change Plan includes many cost-effective strategies and proposals for how Burlington can achieve reductions in our contribution to the climate change problem, but lacks financial resources to make many of these proposals a reality; and

WHEREAS, there have been concerns and questions raised by Burlington residents about the recent letter of cooperation the City signed with Lockheed Martin in December 2010 regarding the terms of agreement and public process for private corporation and city partnerships; and

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WHEREAS, it is likely the City must find creative solutions and partnerships to help develop and finance reductions in greenhouse gases now and in the future and should consider private corporations as possible partners; and

WHEREAS, the agreement signed with Lockheed Martin does not prevent the City from seeking other partners to help develop and finance our work on global climate change; and

WHEREAS, the City has established policies not to engage with corporations with discriminatory practices (Ord. of 5-4-98, § 21-63); and

WHEREAS, Burlington is a place with many unofficial common values that help define our community as one that values sustainability, peace and equality; and

WHEREAS, Lockheed is a company that has been subject to numerous federal lawsuits for environmental degradation, racial, gender and age discrimination;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council Community

Development and Neighborhood Revitalization Committee review existing ordinances (ex: Ord. of 5-4-98, § 21-63) city policies, and school department policies to identify our community standards and develop a recommendation, if applicable, for changes to our community standards with private-public partnerships by June 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that CEDO continue to seek partnerships with non-profit and corporate partners for our global climate change work and other significant city initiatives who reflect our community values and follow existing City policies and ordinances that govern the City's work with corporations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that CEDO shall report to the City Council CDNR

Committee on any proposal developed by the City or Lockheed Martin for possible collaboration; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that CEDO shall seek public input through at least one public meeting at City Hall before the City agrees to proceed with a proposal involving Lockheed Martin.

lb/emb/c: Resolutions 2011/Climate Action Plan & Standards for Partnerships with Companies that use Discriminatory Practices (Lockheed Martin) 2/10/11

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